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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION **TRANSMITTAL**

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First Inventor	Richard R. Roesler
Title	Process for Preparing Aspartates
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